



Metropolitan Nashville and Davidson County, TN

Legislation Text

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A resolution appropriating to certain accounts for the benefit of various Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County Departments Thirty-Two Million, One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$32,100,000) in CARES Act funds.

WHEREAS, on June 16, 2020, the Metropolitan Council passed Substitute Ordinance BL2020-286, the budget ordinance for the Metropolitan Government for Fiscal Year 2021, which was subsequently signed into law by Mayor John Cooper on June 17, 2020; and

WHEREAS, Substitute Ordinance BL2020-286 established a COVID-19 Financial Oversight Committee (“the Committee”) to collect, consider, and recommend appropriate uses of all federal and state funds provided to the Metropolitan Government specifically for COVID-19 relief and recovery, including but not limited to, federal CARES Act funds, and to submit its initial recommendations to the Mayor, the Director of Finance, and the Metropolitan Council not later than August 3, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Council adopted Resolution RS2020-318, as amended, on May 19, 2020, authorizing the acceptance of a local government Coronavirus Relief Fund grant (the “CRF grant fund”) from the U.S. Department of the Treasury to The Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County, acting by and through the Metropolitan Nashville Finance Department, in an amount not to exceed \$121,122,775, to respond to the public health emergency caused by the Coronavirus pandemic, and,

WHEREAS, Resolution RS2020-318, as amended, requires approval by resolution of a plan for disbursement of CRF grant funds, and

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Council adopted Resolution RS2020-394 disbursing CRF funds for the benefit of various Metropolitan Nashville Departments (\$16,700,000), for the support of various agencies providing direct services to members of the community (\$2,800,000), for the benefit of Metropolitan Nashville Public School Students (\$24,000,000) and, for the benefit of a community needs assessment (\$500,000).

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Council desires the CRF grant funds appropriated by this resolution to be part of the disbursement plan, and,

WHEREAS, there are federal requirements for use of CARES Act funds that require that these funds be used or distributed on or before December 30, 2020.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE METROPOLITAN GOVERNMENT OF NASHVILLE AND DAVIDSON COUNTY:

Section 1: That the following amounts from the COVID-19 Pandemic Fund revenues are hereby appropriated to reimburse expenditures incurred through December 30, 2020 by various Metropolitan Government Departments:

Staffing and temp labor (OT, testing sites, homeless shelters, etc.)		\$ 24,800,000
Hazard pay for critical infrastructure employees		20,000,000
Lab testing costs		11,900,000
PPE, safety supplies, building prep, etc		7,733,000
TANS interest		2,600,000
Technology, remote work		1,557,600
Health Dept: At-Risk Plan, outreach, communications		1,400,000
Estimated reimbursement from FEMA claim for COVID-eligible expenses		(20,000,000)
Less: amounts already appropriated by RS2020-394, passed on June 16, 2020		<u>(16,700,000)</u>
TOTAL		\$ 32,076,000

Section 2: That the appropriations in Section 1 are funded from the following revenue:

PRIMARY REVENUE	ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
ACCOUNT # 01602020.406100, FUND #30099		
	Revenue - Federal Direct	(\$32,076,000)
	TOTAL	(\$32,076,000)

Section 3: A monthly report will be provided that shows the amounts allocated, amounts spent by departments, and total amount remaining.

Section 4: That this resolution shall take effect from and after its adoption, the welfare of the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County requiring it.

This resolution appropriates \$32,100,000 in CARES Act funds to various departments of the Metropolitan Government. The Council approved and accepted a Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF) grant from the U.S. Department of the Treasury in an amount not to exceed \$121,122,775 via Resolution No. RS2020-318, as

amended.

The funding would be allocated as follows:

- Staffing and temporary labor (overtime, testing sites, homeless shelters, etc.) -- \$24,800,000
- Hazard pay for critical infrastructure employees -- \$20,000,000
- Lab testing costs -- \$11,900,000
- PPE, safety supplies, building prep, etc. -- \$7,733,000
- TANS interest -- \$2,600,000
- Technology, remote work -- \$1,557,600
- Health Department: At-Risk Plan, outreach, communications -- \$1,400,000
- Estimated reimbursement from FEMA claim for COVID-eligible expenses - (\$20,000,000)
- Less: Amounts already appropriated by RS2020-394, adopted on June 16, 2020 - (\$16,700,000)

This resolution would bring the total appropriation from the CRF grant fund to \$94,300,000.